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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

TO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV NIACT IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO IMMEDIATE

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (ATHERTON, ALFRED L.)

SUBJECT: ATHERTON TRIP

REF: A) TEL AVIV 8011; B) AMMAN 9762

1. WE PLAN TO DEPART CAIRO AROUND 0700Z FOR TEL AVIV WITH ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL AT 0900Z. I WOULD PREFER TO HAVE LUNCH WITH YOU IN ORDER TO DISCUSS MY TRIP THUS FAR AS WELL AS TO HEAR YOUR VIEWS PRIOR TO MY MEETINGS WITH RABIN AND ALLON. COULD YOU THEREFORE HAVE CONVEYED TO EVRON MY APPRECIATION FOR HIS LUNCHEON INVITATION AND MY REGRET AT BEING UNABLE TO ACCEPT IT. HOWEVER, I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HIM NEXT MONDAY.

2. AS MENTIONED IN REF B, I AM HOPEFUL THAT I WILL BE ABLE TO DEPART ISRAEL ON TUESDAY, DEC 23, TAKING TWA FLIGHT 811 FOR BOSTON. THIS WILL BE CONTINGENT OF COURSE ON GETTING CONFIRMED RESERVATIONS WHICH I REALIZE COULD BE DIFFICULT AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME OF THE YEAR. SHOULD THE FLIGHT TO BOSTON BE FULLY BOOKED, A FLIGHT TO NEW YORK WOULD ALSO BE A POSSIBILITY WITH CONNECTIONS TO BOSTON FOR ME AND TO WASHINGTON FOR ABINGTON AND KAMER. ABINGTON AND KAMER SHOULD FLY WITH ME IF POSSIBLE ALTHOUGH ABINGTON WOULD BE WILLING TO LAY OVER FOR AN EXTRA DAY IF THIS IS NECESSARY.

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3. ABINGTON AND KAMER WILL BE GOING TO THE EMBASSY BRIEFLY
AFTER ARRIVAL. IF YOU FEEL IT WOULD BE USEFUL, I WOULD BE WILL-
ING TO MEET BRIEFLY WITH THE EMBASSY STAFF. PLEASE ADVISE.
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